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| 11 | IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT | | | |
| 12 13 | FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEVADA | | | |
| 14 | In re:) BK-S-09-14814 LBR | | | |
| 15 |) (Jointly Administered) THE RHODES COMPANIES, LLC, a/k/a Rhodes Homes, et al.,) (Jointly Administered)) Chapter 11) | | | |
| 16 | Reorganized Debtors.) UNITED STATES' STATEMENT OF ISSUE | | | |
| 17 |) AND DESIGNATION OF RECORD ON APPEAL | | | |
| 18 19 | The United States of America filed a notice of appeal with regard to the Order Disallowing And | | | |
| 20 | Expunging Claim No. 7. (Docket No. 1697). The United States hereby submits, pursuant to Federal Rule | | | |
| 21 | of Bankruptcy Procedure 8006, this statement of issue on appeal and the designation of the record on appeal. | | | |
| 22 | STATEMENT OF ISSUE ON APPEAL | | | |
| 23 | Whether the Bankruptcy Court erred in sustaining the Reorganized Debtors' Objection to Claim No. | | | |
| 24 | 7 of the Internal Revenue Service. Whether the Bankruptcy Court erred in adopting the Reorganized Debtors' Proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, (Docket No. 1685), which concludes that | | | |
| 25 | Bravo was not the employer of the workers at issue and therefore was not responsible for the employment | | | |
| 26 | taxes. | | | |
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DESIGNATION OF RECORD

The following items are to be included in the record on appeal:

| Filing Date | Docket No. | Description |
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| 04/13/2010 | Claim 7-2 | Proof of Claim for Internal Revenue Taxes |
| 03/31/2011 | 1377 | Reorganized Debtors' Objection to Claim No. 7 filed by Internal Revenue Service Against Debtor Bravo, Inc. |
| 09/07/2011 | 1532 | Declaration of Dean Griffith with Certificate of Service |
| 09/15/2011 | 1540 | Response in Opposition to Reorganized Debtor's Objection to IRS Claim filed against Bravo, Inc. |
| 09/15/2011 | 1541 | Declaration of Virginia Cronan Lowe |
| 09/16/2011 | 1551 | Amended Declaration of Virginia Cronan Lowe |
| 09/21/2011 | 1553 | Reorganized Debtor's Reply to United States' Response in Opposition Transcript of Hearing |
| 11/01/2011 | 1589 | Transcript of Hearing held on September 27, 2011 |
| 01/26/2012 | 1640 | Joint Pre-Trial Statement |
| 02/13/2012 | 1658 | United States Brief with Certificate of Service |
| 02/13/2012 | 1659 | Reorganized Debtors' Brief |
| 02/13/2012 | 1660 | Declaration of Justin H. Bell |
| 02/13/2012 | 1661 | Certificate of Service |
| 02/16/2012 | 1663 | Amended Witness List |
| 02/27/2012 | 1668 | Reorganized Debtors' Reply Brief |
| 02/27/2012 | 1669 | Declaration of Justin H. Bell |
| 02/27/2012 | 1670 | United States' Reply Brief |
| 02/27/2012 | 1671 | Certificate of Service |
| 02/27/2012 | 1672 | Declaration of Virginia Cronan Lowe |
| 04/02/2012 | 1681 | Transcript of Trial held on March 5, 2012 |
| 04/12/2012 | 1684 | United States' Proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law |
| 04/12/2012 | 1685 | Reorganized Debtors' Proposed Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law |
| 05/03/2012 | 1697 | Order Disallowing and Expunging IRS Claim No. 7 |
| 05/17/2012 | 1700 | United States' Notice of Appeal |

| 1 | Dated this 31st day of May, 2012. |
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| 1 | CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE |
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| 2 | IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that service of the foregoing UNITED STATES' |
| 3 | STATEMENT OF ISSUES ON APPEAL AND DESIGNATION OF RECORD ON |
| 4 | APPEAL has been made this 31st day of May, 2012, by United States mail, in a postage |
| 5 | prepaid envelope to: |
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